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In re application of:

Anthony K. CHENG, et al.

Serial No: 09/888,005

Filed: June 22, 2001

For: HOMOGENEOUS ASSAY OF VANCOMYCIN USING
A STABLE PARTICLE-VANCOMYCIN CONJUGATE,
A NOVEL RATE ENHANCER, AND A NOVEL DOSE
RESPONSE MODULATOR

Art Unit: 1654

Examiner: Billy D. Chism

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated June 17, 2003, please amend the above-referenced application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 14 of this paper.

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